

• Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A seedling pot for raising fruit crop seedlings, the pot being a molded piece formed of boiled fibers of bamboo and Gramineae plant ~~such as ditch reed~~, a supplementary component and urea as an additive, the supplementary component being blended with a palm product and ~~composed of~~ comprising at least one material selected from the group consisting of a carbonized plant material ~~obtained by heating a nonwoody plant~~, a calcium-rich waste powder ~~such as powdered bones~~ and powdery foul droppings.

2. (Currently Amended) A seedling pot for raising fruit crop seedlings, the pot being a molded piece formed of boiled fibers of bamboo and Gramineae plant ~~such as ditch reed~~, a supplementary component, as well as urea and a silicon dioxide powder as additives, the supplementary component being blended with a palm product and ~~composed of~~ comprising at least one material selected from the group consisting of a carbonized plant material ~~obtained by heating a non-woody plant~~, a calcium-rich waste powder ~~such as powdered bones~~ and powdery foul droppings.

3. (Currently Amended) A seedling pot as defined in claim 1 or 2 ~~and further~~ having a bottom and a periphery, wherein at least one perforation is formed in either of or both the bottom and periphery.

4. (Currently Amended) A seedling pot as defined in claim 1 or 2, wherein the carbonized plant material is made from at least one member selected from the group consisting of buckwheat chaff, tea dregs, oil cakes, and coffee grounds ~~or the like~~.

5. (Currently Amended) A seedling pot as defined in claim 1 or 2, wherein the calcium –rich waste powder is made from at least one member selected from the group consisting of shells, bones, and carapaces~~or the like~~.

6. (New) A seedling pot as defined in claim 1 or 2, wherein the calcium rich waste powder comprises powdered bones.